



# Ballaugh Primary School



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Dear Parents,

**Registering Children for Reception 2019** – We are fast approaching the time of year when we will be asked to submit the number of children that are registered to start at Ballaugh School in September 2019 to the Department of Education, Sport and Culture. If you have a child, that will be 4 years old by 31st August 2019, and have not already done so, then please contact the school as soon as possible to pre-register them. If you know of any families that live within the catchment area but who may not be aware of this process it would be greatly appreciated if you could ask them to contact the school too. School catchment areas can be checked by using [www.iom.gov/maps](http://www.iom.gov/maps) and entering a postcode.

**Use of the Back Field** – Please note that we have stopped the children using the back field until we have been able to have a tree assessed. If you use the school grounds at the weekend, please do not use the back field.

**Christmas Performances** – Please return outstanding concert costume letter slips and ticket requests to the school office on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. If you need replacement copies please contact school ASAP.

**Decorating the School Christmas Tree** – The school tree is now here. If your child or children would like to bring in a decoration to hang on it then we would be more than happy for them to do so. If you would like it back, please make sure it is named in some way.

**Christmas Cards** – From next week we will have the Christmas post box in the school entrance so that the children can post their Christmas cards to other pupils (unfortunately we can not deliver to other schools or Santa). Please make sure the recipient's name and class is written on the envelope so that Class 4 can deliver them to the correct people.

**Salvation Army Dress Down Day** – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December – All children are invited to wear their own clothes for a dress down day. In way of a donation we are asking for non-perishable food items (e.g. tins, packets, jars or dried foods) that will be passed on to the Salvation Army to make up hampers to help someone in need at Christmas.

**Christmas Dinner** – We are looking forward to our Christmas dinner in school on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December. If your child usually has a packed lunch and would like Christmas dinner they are very welcome to do send £2.25 in a named envelope to the office by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you.

**FoBS Christmas Tombola Fundraiser** – Donations of prizes (e.g. bottles, chocolate, toys) will be greatly appreciated for this year's Tombola and should be brought to the school office no later than Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December for the prize draw on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>. Tickets will be sent out to each family in school next week.

**Ballaugh Children's Day Committee's Christmas Party** – Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December at Ballaugh Parish Hall **3.00-6.00pm** (NOT 6-8pm AS STATED ON POSTER) For ages 11 and under.

**Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal** – £126.50 was raised by school. Thank you for your generosity.

**King William's College** – If you are interested in a King William's College scholarship opportunity, please collect an information leaflet from the school office. Scholarship examinations take place on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

## CLASS TRIPS & VISITORS

**Class 3M House of Manannan Trip**—Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. The class will travel by bus and a packed lunch is required. Children should wear school uniform, comfortable shoes and a waterproof coat to walk to and from the bus.

**Class R2 Wildlife Park Trip**—Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December. To see birds from around the world. All children will require a backpack with their lunch and binoculars in and must wear wellies. As we will be going whatever the weather, all children will need to wear their warm school uniform with additional layers and a warm waterproof coat.

### A message from Class R2

**R2 Learning Assembly**—Anyone is welcome to come and share our learning assembly on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December for a 9am prompt start for those who have work. All parents are invited to stay for a drink afterwards with their child.

## CLUBS

**“Wildcats” Girls’Football Club** – if you have a daughter in any class from Reception to Year 6 that would like to join a girls’ football club then you might want to contact Lewis from the IOM FA (211909) or turn up at Bunscoil Rhumsaa’s infant campus (previously named Auldyn Infants) on Thursdays from 4 pm – 5 pm. The cost is £2 / session.

### School “mini” lunchtime clubs led by children.

<u>Club Name</u>	<u>Led by</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>
Lego	Jake & Thomas	Monday	12.40-1.00 pm
Board Game	Adam & Oliver	Tuesday	12.40-1.00 pm
Colouring-in	Bella & Darcey	Wednesday	12.40-1.00 pm
Comic Making	Freddie & Hayden	Thursday	12.40-1.00 pm
Kahoot eQuiz	Edward and Harry	Friday	12.40-1,00 pm

<b>Drama Club</b>	<b>Mrs Bale</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>3.30-4.30pm</b>	<b>Years 5&amp;6</b>
<b>Early Morning Sports</b>	<b>MSR</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>8.10-8.40am</b>	<b>Years 1&amp;2</b>

## DATES FOR DIARIES

Class 3M – House of Manannan	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December ( packed lunch required)
Class R2 - Wildlife Park	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December (packed lunch required)
Salvation Army – Dress Down Day	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> December
Ballaugh Children’s Day Committee Party	Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> December 3pm-6pm
Class R2 Learning Assembly	Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 9am-9.30am
Christmas Performances	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2pm and 6pm
School Christmas Dinner	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December
Children’s Christmas Party and Santa Visit	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 1.30 pm – 3.30 pm
Last Day in School	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December
Christmas Holiday	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> December-Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> January
First Day of Spring Term	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2019

Regards  
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